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1. SUMMARY: CUBAN PRESIDENT OSVALDO DORTICOS WAS WELL RECEIVED IN CORDOBA YESTERDAY. ADDRESSING A CROWD OF SOME 25,000, HE PAID TRIBUTE TO CORDOBA REVOLUTIONARY TRADITION AND REFERRED TO MEMORY OF CHE GUEVARA AS TIE WHICH BINDS TWO COUNTRIES TOGETHER. END SUMMARY.

2. PRESIDENT DORTICOS WAS GREETED AT CORDOBA AIRPORT YESTERDAY BY GOVERNOR OBREGON CANO, VICE- GOVERNOR ATILIO LOPEZ, FAR LEFTIST LABOR LEADERS AGUSTIN TOSCO AND RENE SALAMANCA, AND A CROWD OF SEVERAL HUNDRED WELL WISHERS. MANY OF LATTER WAVED FLAGS OF VARIOUS ARGENTINE TERRORIST GROUPS AS WELL AS CUBAN BANNER. WITH EXCEPTION OF GOVERNOR HIMSELF , THOSE AT AIRPORT SEEMED TO REPRESENT EXPREME LEFTIST END OF SPECTRUM, HENCE, THEIR PRESENCE WAS HARDLY SURPRISING.

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3. DORTICOS' VISIT COINCIDED WITH ANNIVERSARY OF 1959 CORDOBAZO AND, IN ARRIVAL INTERVIEW WITH NEWSMEN, HE REFERRED TO REVOLUTIONARY TRADITION AND VIGOR OF CITY TO WHICH, HE SAID, HE BROUGHT REVOLUTIONARY GREETINGS OF CUBAN PEOPLE. HE DESCRIBED GOA' S DECISION TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS WITH CUBA AS " A NEW STEP IN THE GROWING CRISIS OF THE OAS." HE URGED NEED FOR NEW ORGANIZATION OF LATIN AMERICAN STATES WHICH WOULD EXCLUDE U. S.

4. CAUTIOUS NOT TO INSIST THAT ARGENTINA HAD TO FOLLOW THE SAME PATH AS CUBA, HE SAID ONLY VALID PATH FOR LATIN AMERICAN STATES WAS A REVOLUTIONARY ONE, BUT PARTICULAR MANNER IN WHICH IT APPLIED WOULD DEPEND UPON SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN EACH COUNTRY.

5. AFTER VISIT TO FIAT PLANT, DORTICOS ADDRESSED CROWD OF SOME 25,000 WHO WERE GATHERED TO COMMEMORATE CORDOBAZO. HE REFERRED TO ARGENTINE- CUBAN CITIZEN ERNESTO CHE GUEVARA AS ONE OF REVOLUTIONARY LINKS WHICH UNIFIED PEOPLES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES, AND, IN CLOSING, DORTICOS CALLED ON ALL TO SWEAR BY REVOLUTIONARY HEROES SUCH AS GUEVERA THAT ARGENTINA AND CUBA " WILL CONTINUE THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALISM UNTIL IT IS ERADICATED."
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